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An. Code, 1924, sec. 31. 1912, sec. 29. 1904, sec. 28. 1902, ch. 133, sec. 25B.

All persons who after the passage of the Act of 1902, Ch. 133, shall remove into any county of this State or into the City of Baltimore from any other State, district or territory shall indicate their intent to become citizens and residents of this State by registering their names in a suitable record book to be procured and kept for the purpose by the clerk of the circuit court for the several counties, and by the clerk of the Superior Court of Baltimore City; such record to contain their names, residence, age and occupation; and the intent of such persons to become citizens and residents of this State shall date from the day on which such registry shall be so entered in such record book by the clerk of the circuit court for the county, or of the Superior Court of Baltimore City, as the case may be, into which county or city such person shall so remove from any other State, district or territory. And no person coming into this State from any other State, district or territory shall be entitled to registration as a legal voter of this State until one year after his intent to become such legal voter shall be thus evidenced by such entry in such record book, and such entry or a duly certified copy thereof shall be the only competent and admissible evidence of such intent. And the clerk of the Superior Court of Baltimore City and of the several courts of the several counties shall immediately, upon the passage of this Act, procure a suitable record book for the recording therein of such entries arranged alphabetically under the names of such persons. For every person so registered under the provisions of this section they shall be entitled to demand and receive the sum of twenty-five cents to be paid to said clerks by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore and the county commissioners, respectively. A copy of such record duly certified by said clerk shall be evidence of the right of such person to registration as legal voters according to law, and each person so registered shall be entitled to such certified copy upon demand without charge.

This section is constitutional and valid; requisites for registration thereunder. Pope v. Williams, 98 Md. 66 (affirmed in 193 U. S. 621).

Ch. 578 of 1929, amending secs. 64 and 65 and repealing secs. 66-68, held invalid as violating art. 1, sec. 5 of the State Constitution for lack of uniformity in registration laws. Bangs v. Fey, 159 Md. 549.

Cited but not construed in Wagner v. Scurlock, 166 Md. 291.

An. Code, 1924, sec. 32. 1912, sec. 29A. 1914, ch. 534. 1916, ch. 540. 1916, ch. 546. 1918, ch. 486, sec. 29A. 1922, ch. 97.

65.¹ Declarations of intentions mentioned in the preceding section may in Baltimore City and in Anne Arundel, Charles, Queen Anne's, Harford, Montgomery, Garrett, Frederick, Howard, Carroll, Cecil, Caroline, Wicomico, Talbot, Dorchester, Calvert, Kent, Washington, Allegany, Somerset, and Prince George's Counties as an alternative method of making said declaration, be made before the Board of Registry when in session of the election district or precinct in which the declarant intends to reside, and be entered by said board. Said entry to be made by said Board of Registry on blanks to be furnished by the Board of Supervisors of Elec-

¹ Sections 64 and 65 were amended and Secs. 66-68 were repealed by Chapter 578 of the Acts of 1929. This Act was held invalid in Bangs v. Fey, 159 Md. 478. Consequently the sections are included as they existed prior to enactment of said Chapter 578 of 1929.